

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

### **RI STATE PILOTAGE COMMISSION MEETING**

**March 1, 2012**

**held at 235 Promenade Street, Room 250**

**Providence, Rhode Island 02908**

#### **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Capt. E. Howard McVay Jr., Chair Capt. Paul Costabile, Ex. Director,  
NEMP**

<b>Larry Mouradjian, Member</b>	<b>Joanne Scorpio, Recording Secretary</b>
<b>Chief Steve Hall, Member</b>	<b>Atty. Gary Powers, legal Counsel</b>
<b>Capt. Peter Fritz, Member</b>	<b>Hank Nelson, Goff &amp; Page Co.</b>

#### **I. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

**Quorum being present, the chair called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. Commissioners reviewed the February 9, 2012 minutes. Member Chief Hall made a motion to accept the minutes; Member Capt. Fritz seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by assent.**

#### **II. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1) Apprentice Pilot Update – Chair McVay advised the Commissioners that the State Pilot Board will report next week on Capt. Barnaby. He also stated that Probationary Pilot Capt. Patrick**

**Donovan has applied for a license to apprentice BI Sound. Capt. Kirby and the rest of the Board members are recommending that Capt. Donovan be accepted (see letter from Capt. Kirby to RISPC filed in State Pilot Board file). Capt. Donovan will be eligible to apply for Narragansett Bay after holding a license with BI Sound for one year. Member Mouradjian made a motion to accept Capt. Donovan's application into the Block Island Sound program. Chief Hall seconded the motion. Voted 3-0 all in favor.**

**2) Continued discussions of RI Pilotage Statutes - After discussions, the Commission decided not to take any action to make revisions to the following statutes at this time:**

**§46-9-8, Regulation of pilot boats**

**§46-9-9, Temporary pilot licenses-Emergencies**

**§46-9-10, Examination of applicants**

**3) America's Cup /Tall Ships update - The Chair advised the Commissioners that he emailed them documents from the Federal Register giving notice of the safety zones in Narragansett Bay during the races. He also advised that there is a section for public comments and would like the members to respond regarding the restrictions and impacts it will have on commercial travel.**

**Written comments must be received on or before April 10, 2012. Member Chief Hall made a motion to send comments. Member Capt. Fritz seconded the motion. Voted 3-0 in favor. Chair McVay said he will draft the comments and email it to the members for their review.**

**Member Chief Hall had nothing new to report. He said that he will be attending meetings for both Americas Cup and Tall Ships in the next few weeks and will have information on piloting tall ships into the Bay.**

**4) USCG proposed regulation change - Chair McVay stated that he sent out the Commission's comments for the proposed chemical testing regulations. The comments can be viewed on the USCG website ([www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)).**

### **III. NEW BUSINESS:**

**No new business**

### **IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**No executive session**

### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**No public comments**

### **VI. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:**

**The RI Pilot Commission plans to hold the next regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the Division of Law Enforcement at DEM headquarters located at 235 Promenade Street, Rm. 250, Providence, RI on Thursday, April 5, 2012 starting at approximately following the public hearing.**

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT:**

**The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.**